



Mayor Mark Mallory

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Mallory Delivers "Meals on Wheels" to Local Senior

Event is part of nationwide "Mayors for Meals" Initiative

Cincinnati – Mayor Mark Mallory played the role of the deliveryman for "Meals on Wheels" this morning as part of the nationwide "Mayors for Meals" Initiative. Over 450 Mayors from all 50 states delivered meals today as part of the event sponsored by the Meals on Wheels Association of America. The Mayor delivered the first meal of the day to Willie Turner in Avondale.

"Taking care of Cincinnati's seniors is an absolute priority," Mayor Mallory said. "They have done their part to make this city great and take care of us all of our lives, it is our responsibility to return the favor."

Mayor Mallory participated in "Mayors for Meals" in partnership with Wesley Community Services and the Hyde Park Community United Methodist Church. The Mayor picked up the meal this morning from the new state-of-the-art kitchen at the church's Erie Campus Building. In 2005, the City of Cincinnati partnered with Wesley Community Services and the Hyde Park Church to build the new kitchen facility, which allowed the partnership to deliver over 189,000 meals to over 500 Cincinnati area seniors who are ill or homebound.

"Our seniors want and deserve to stay in their own home; Meals on Wheels makes that possible by providing nutritionally balanced meals those who need them," Mayor Mallory said. "Too many seniors go hungry or simply make do. This is unacceptable. We need to step up and ensure that they receive quality meals to keep them healthy."

There are 27 Ohio mayors from across the state delivering meals today, as well as Mayor Tom Guidugli of Newport, Kentucky. "Mayors for Meals" is part of the month-long "March for Meal" program designed to bring attention to the problems of senior hunger and to promote the positive impact of the Meals on Wheels program.

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